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WAR DEPARTMENT,
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Washington, September 28, 1864.

I. By direction of the President of the United States, Major-General JOSEPH HOOKER is assigned to the command of the Northern Department. He will immediately proceed to Columbus, Ohio, and relieve Major-General HEINTZELMAN.

II. Major-General HEINTZELMAN, on being relieved in command of the Northern Department, will repair to Wheeling, West Virginia, report thence by letter to the Adjutant-General of the Army, and there await until he receives orders.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

E. D. TOWNSEND,

Assistant Adjutant General.

OFFICIAL:

Assistant Adjutant General.